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32/... The rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Recalling the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, and other relevant human rights instruments,

Reaffirming Human Rights Council resolutions 15/21 of 30 September 2010, 21/16 of 27 September 2012 and 24/5 of 26 September 2013, and recalling Council resolutions 22/10 of 21 March 2013, 25/38 of 28 March 2014 and 26/13 of 26 June 2014, and relevant resolutions of the Commission on Human Rights,

Recalling Human Rights Council resolutions 5/1 and 5/2 of 18 June 2007,

Recognizing that the effective exercise of the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, as enshrined in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, is essential for the enjoyment of other human rights and freedoms and constitutes a fundamental pillar for building a democratic society and strengthening democracy, bearing in mind that all human rights are universal, indivisible, interdependent and interrelated,

* State not a member of the Human Rights Council.

Aware of the crucial importance of the active involvement of civil society in processes of governance that affect the life of people,

Taking note of the report of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association submitted to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-second session,[1]

Acknowledging that professional associations can be one of the manifestations of the right to freedom of association and that professional associations may play an important, positive role in the promotion and protection of all human rights, the realization of development efforts, and building and maintaining a democratic society,

1. *Decides* to renew the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association, as established by the Human Rights Council in its resolution 15/21, for a period of three years;

2. *Calls upon* States to continue to cooperate fully with and assist the Special Rapporteur in the performance of the mandate, to respond promptly to his or her urgent appeals and other communications, and to consider favourably his or her requests for visits;

3. *Requests* the Special Rapporteur to continue to report annually to the Human Rights Council and the General Assembly;

4. *Calls upon* States and other relevant stakeholders to promote, create and maintain conditions conducive for the development and activities of professional associations;

5. *Invites* the Special Rapporteur to consider the topic of professional associations in his or her future work;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to provide the assistance necessary to the Special Rapporteur to fulfil the mandate, in particular by placing adequate human and material resources at his or her disposal;

7. *Decides* to continue its consideration of the issue of the rights to freedom of peaceful assembly and of association in accordance with its programme of work.

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[1] A/HRC/32/36.